

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising ~~at least 24 contiguous bases of nucleotide sequence first disclosed in the NHP polynucleotide described in~~ the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:9.

2. (Original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that:

- (a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:10; and
- (b) hybridizes under stringent conditions to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:9 or the complement thereof.

3. (Original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:12.

4. (New) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 3, wherein said molecule comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:11.

5. (New) A recombinant expression vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 2.

6. (New) The expression vector of claim 5, wherein said vector comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:9.

7. (New) A recombinant expression vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 3.

8. (New) The expression vector of claim 7, wherein said vector comprises the nucleotide

sequence of SEQ ID NO:11.

9. (New) A host cell comprising the expression vector of claim 5.

10. (New) A host cell comprising the expression vector of claim 7.